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41. RETAIL ACCESS PROGRAM (Cont'd)

- P. <u>TERMINATION OF SERVICE</u> (Cont'd)
 - (d) that after the termination and unless/until new Retail Suppliers are selected and the switches are completed, service will be provided by Central Hudson under its applicable tariff rate, unless the Company has notified the customer that delivery services will be terminated on or before the termination date;
 - (e) that there will be no switching fee charged by Central Hudson to the customer for a switch back to Central Hudson, whether as an interim measure until a new Retail Supplier is selected or as a permanent action.
 - 2. Central Hudson will, within five (5) calendar days of the notice from the Retail Supplier, also send a notice to the Retail Supplier's customers containing the same information as required above, but also providing a list with names and telephone numbers of eligible Retail Suppliers who have indicated a willingness to serve retail customers in Central Hudson's service area.
 - 3. If Central Hudson learns that a Retail Supplier has terminated operations in its service territory without giving the proper notice to Retail Customers nor to Central Hudson, Central Hudson will immediately inform the Public Service Commission and then, if directed, notify all of the Retail Supplier's customers as required above. In the notification, Central Hudson will advise the customers that effective immediately their service is being provided by Central Hudson under the applicable tariff rate and that payment for such service from the date of the notice until a subsequent switch takes place must be made to Central Hudson.
 - 4. If the Retail Supplier does not give notice to its Retail Customers and to Central Hudson in accordance with the above requirements prior to terminating operations, the Retail Supplier may be deemed ineligible by the New York State Public Service Commission to sell natural gas to retail customers in New York State and/or may be assessed a monetary penalty by the New York State Public Service Commission.

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